



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

March 19, 2019

OFFICE OF
AIR AND RADIATION

Ms. Mackenzie Farkus
MuckRock News
411A Highland Avenue
Somerville, MA 02144

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request No. EPA-HQ-2019-004216

Dear Ms. Farkus:

This is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) on March 13, 2019, in which you requested *“Any and all files on or related to radioactivity and nuclear pollution on the Marshall Islands from 1970-1986.”* The Office of Air and Radiation did not find any records responsive to your request. Given that your request involves records that are over 30 years old, any records related to this subject would be officially archived (<http://www.archives.gov>), per federal records management schedules. There is no cost for the processing of this request.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at hq.foia@epa.gov, through FOIAonline if you are an account holder or by mail to:

National FOIA Office
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2310A)
Washington, D.C. 20460

If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, William Jefferson Clinton North Building, Room 5315, Washington, DC 20460.

Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals *received* after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 pm EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked “Freedom of Information Act Appeal.”

Additionally, you may seek dispute resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at hq.foia@epa.gov or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: email, ogis@nara.gov; telephone, (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; facsimile (202) 741-5769; or by mail at:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510
8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001

We appreciate your interest in the EPA and our mission to protect public health and the environment. Should you choose to appeal this determination, please be sure to fully address all factors required by EPA's FOIA Regulations, located at 40 C.F.R., Part 2.104.

Sincerely,



John Shoaff
Director

Office of Air Policy and Program Support